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a plunger axially slidably received in said barrel through said proximal end thereof and having a thumbpress at one end external to said barrel and a bung at an opposite end within the barrel engaging interior wall portions of the barrel;

an element carried by said opposite end of said plunger and engageable with said needle mounting structure upon axial sliding movement of said plunger toward said distal end of the barrel;

said element in engagement with said needle-mounting structure effecting a breakaway of said needle-mounting structure from said hub and withdrawal of said needle into the barrel in response to axial sliding movement of said plunger away from the distal end of the barrel

Respectfully submitted,

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